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Date: 4/19/19

ORU No. 12169-19 CASE No. _____

Your File Information: Records related to missing American Indian
Dear Requestor: Sovereign Bodies Institute Native persons

The following is in response to your Open Records Act request concerning the aforementioned case:

- ☐ We have attached a copy of the records you requested. They have been redacted in accordance with the Open Records Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a)(20)(A). The redactions are as follows:
() Month and Day of Birth, () Social Security Number(s), () Medical Information
- ☐ A copy of the video/audio cad/photos/records you requested is being processed and will be mailed to you within two weeks.
- ☐ This case is still open and pending criminal prosecution. Therefore, based on the exemption provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72(a)(4), the video/photos you have requested is not subject to dissemination until the investigation is concluded and the case is no longer pending in court or on appeal. You must obtain consent from the Prosecutor before the records can be released. Please forward documentation of the Prosecutor's consent to release the records to our office, and once it is received by us, we will process the request within two weeks.
- ☐ The documents you requested are part of a SCRT Case which is still open and pending investigation. Therefore, based on the exemption provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72(a)(4), the responsive documents (other than any initial police arrest report and/or incident reports), are not subject to dissemination until the investigation and any pending criminal prosecution is concluded.
- ☐ Based on the information you have provided, we conducted a search within the Georgia Department of Public Safety; however, we were unable to locate any responsive records. In accordance with O.C.G.A. § 50-18-70(d) of the Open Records Act, we are hereby notifying you that no responsive records were located.
- ☒ Documents responsive to your request may be within the chain of custody of another law enforcement agency. Please contact the appropriate law enforcement agency to make arrangements for accessing the requested information.
- ☐ Please note that the Records Retention Policy for the Georgia State Patrol only requires retention of records for misdemeanor offense for a period of three years and retention of records for felony offenses for a period of seven years.

☒ Other: The Department of Public Safety does not handle missing persons cases, only Traffic related issues

Sincerely,

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April 17, 2019

This is a follow up to a previous request:

To Whom It May Concern:

I wanted to follow up on the following Georgia Open Records Act request, copied below, and originally submitted on April 13, 2019. Please let me know when I can expect to receive a response.

Thanks for your help, and let me know if further clarification is needed.

Filed via MuckRock.com
E-mail (Preferred): 71725-83040181@requests.muckrock.com

For mailed responses, please address (see note):

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On April 13, 2019:

To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Georgia Open Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

Basic information on all cases (open and closed) of missing American Indian/Alaska Native persons (including juveniles) within the state, from 2000 through 2019; this basic information can include but is not limited to: person name, age, DOB, incident date, case closure date, county/jurisdiction in which person was reported missing.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 3 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Sovereign Bodies Institute

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